

# THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO RUTH

## CHAPTER 3:15-18

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### *THE THEME OF THE BOOK:*

## *The Romance of Redemption*

The Gospel According to Ruth

### *THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:*

## *“Love Will Find a Way”*

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### The ‘Sentence Summation’ of the Text

We come to what might be the most awesome verse in 15-18 of the book because of what it speaks of typologically for the Christian...

## **Remember The Threshing Floor Meeting**

It's taking place before the end of full harvest.  
But before the actual wedding of Boaz and Ruth  
literally takes place

## **Our Present Threshing Floor Meeting**

This is our time as the church has met Him... But we await the wedding

Chapter 3 began with a “Godly Suggestion of Naomi’s in verses 1-5. In verses 6-9 that Godly suggestion was answered with a “Godly response” for Ruth faithfully carried out the Naomi’s instructions. And then we saw in verses 10-14 Boaz’ “Godly Acceptance” of Ruth’s response to say “I Do” - I **WILL** marry you...

Remembering Back to That Big Evening,  
that wonderful evening when in There in Bethlehem

But it was interrupted with the Boaz' announcement  
that there was a man of authority that really had  
ownership over her...

This Other Man was a Like the Law or 10 commandments  
by legal right of ownership, the law owned Ruth!!!

- She had never met him
- She had no knowledge of him
- She couldn't really love him

Her heart had voted for Boaz!!!

I will **perform** the **duty** for you.

Jesus Performed for us all that was needed to Redeem Us.

I will **perform** the **duty** for you, as the LORD lives!

Lie down until morning."

**“Lie down until morning.”**  
**You Sweetheart, Rest**

**Matthew 8:18 KJV**

Now when Jesus saw great multitudes about him, he gave commandment to depart unto the other side.

**Exodus 23:12**

"Six days you shall do your work, and on the seventh day you shall rest, that your ox and your donkey may rest, and the son of your female servant and the stranger may be **refreshed**. (Resort, to **recuperate to re-create - Also translated to water ski**)

**The Church is to be Both**

Preparing Herself to Meet the Lord  
and

Resting in our engagement to the Lord

**The Church is to be Both**  
Preparing Herself to tell the world  
and  
Resting in the power of the Holy Spirit

## **“Do Not Fear”**

Voiced by God 17 times  
to his servants

So Boaz Calmed Ruth's Fears  
*with his words*

**!!! Christians are to “working” from the  
position of rest!!!**

### **Hebrews 4:1-3**

Therefore, since a promise remains of entering His rest, let us fear lest any of you seem to have come short of it. <sup>2</sup> For indeed the gospel was preached to us as well as to them; but the word which they heard did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in those who heard it. <sup>3</sup> For we who have believed do enter that rest, as He has said: "So I swore in My *wrath*,  
'*They shall not enter My rest,*' "

### **Hebrews 4:4**

For He has spoken in a certain place of the seventh day in this way: "And God rested on the seventh day from all His works";

## **The Christianity's Paradox**

1.) Boaz Sends Home a *Promise*

vv. 15

Also he said,  
"Bring the shawl that is on you and hold it." And when she held it,  
then he **measured** out **six ephahs of barley**,  
and laid it on her. Then she went into the city.

Also he said, "Bring the shawl that is on you and hold it."  
And when she held it,  
he **measured six ephahs of barley,**

## The shawl or Veil:

Eastern shawls or veils are large sheet-like wrappings that flow around  
the head and the body...

The more affluent women, she would wear shawls of red  
the less affluent, the women wore them of blue and white

But You Had to Have a Shawl (HOME DEPOT CARD)

**and laid it on her**

- He gave her a blessing  
but it had to be carried
- He gave her a gift  
but it had to manage
- He gave her a task  
but it was easy enough

**"Ruth" - Six Scoops of Grain!!!**

**- Man, the burden of the Lord is so tough  
It's hard being a Christian**

**It not convenient to read my Bible and talk to God**

## HOW DO YOU KNOW IF YOU'RE IN GODS' WILL?

### **Difficulty - BLESSINGS - Hardships**

#### **1 Corinthians 10:13**

No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it.

In Genesis 24 Eleazer was seen to find a bride. But the pre-marital gifts given to her all along the way was her assurance and remembrance of the great promises made to her

## The grain was a message to Naomi “I’ll Be Back”

1b.) Never did Ruth Every Leave Boaz’ Presence Empty. 15a

**Then** she went into the city.

((Then and Only Then))

Not at her request, but at his goodness toward her

It Seems the More time she spent with Boaz...  
the greater the increase of blessings came her way

#### **Song of Songs 3:1-4**

By night on my bed I sought the one I love; I sought him, but I did not find him. <sup>2</sup> "I will rise now," I said, "And go about the city; in the streets and in the squares I will seek the one I love." I sought him, but I did not find him. <sup>3</sup> The watchmen who go about the city found me; I said, "Have you seen the one I love?" <sup>4</sup> Scarcely had I passed by them, when I found the one I love. I held him and would not let him go, until I had brought him to the house of my mother, and into the chamber of..... Huh!!!

# Spending Time with Jesus

The more we spend time with Jesus... the increase in blessings

1c.) In the, Ruth rested at Boaz' Feet

vv. 15a

Before we leave verse 15  
the typology is one of the most "Christ-Like"  
of scripture

**you bring me what you have...  
hold it before me ....  
and watch me fill it up!!!**

## Then He Proceeds to do What He does so Well

Concealed in Verse 15 is the answer  
to all of life's pressing  
difficulties

## When God Commanded Moses to Tell the Nation that He would lead them

### **Exodus 3:13-14**

Then Moses said to God, "Indeed, when I come to the children of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they say to me, 'What is His name?' what shall I say to them?"

<sup>14</sup> And God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And He said, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'"

## Moses, Moses... Listen to me.

I AM not a man like you are. I have never had a beginning, I have never had a mother or a father, I have never needed anything, I will never have ending. I AM fully Self Existent

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I AM

HEB. 1961 hayah (haw-yaw) - (incorrect eng. Attempt - Jehovah)

the one who exists... the one has always existed eternally-tirelessly

## I AM the “book ends” of what you call time and space

- \* Elohim = God of all Strength
- \* Adonai = Lord of all
- \* El Elyon = God The Most High
- \* El Roi = God who Sees
- \* El Shaddai = God The Almighty
- \* El Olam = God Everlasting
- \* Yahweh Jireh = I shall provide
- \* Yahweh Nissi = I will be your Banner
- \* Yahweh Shalom = I will be your Peace
- \* Yahweh Maccaddeshcem = I will be your Sanctification
- \* Yahweh Sabboth = I will be your host
- \* Yahweh Raah = I will be you shepherd
- \* Yahweh Shammah = I will be there

### 2.) The Prospect of Hope at Work

vv. 16

So when she came to her mother-in-law, Naomi said, "Is that you, my daughter?" Then she told her all that the man had done for her.

Is that you lit. **Who are you now?**

Naomi is asking if Ruth is now Mrs. Boaz

Are you still Ruth the Moabitess or are you Mrs. Boaz of Bethlehem?

*The Christian is Often Asked the Same Question*

Are you the Jack of the world or are you still trying to little Mrs. Jesus

**2 Peter 3:3-4a**

knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts, and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming?"

Who are you now?

When will our redemption finally come  
in Totality?

Because Jesus, at the cross, destroyed the power of  
death and the grave.

This life's end is a great awakening for us now!!!

**John 11:25-26**

Jesus said to her, "I am **the resurrection** and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. "And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. **Do you believe this?**"

(In Hindi)

You Will Not Come Back to Earth as Shirley McKlaine  
or.... Tony Robins

You'll be resurrected  
as the new you



**In Technicolor  
sinless, pure, holy and perfect  
in Christ - forever!!!**

**Our Sin Nature Will Have Been Removed  
by Either Rapture or Death**

**Who are you now?  
Honey you ain't seen nothing yet**

**1 John 3:2-3**

Beloved, now we are children of God; but it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. <sup>3</sup> And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

**Verse 17**

And she said, "These six ephahs of barley he gave me; for he said to me, '**Do not go empty-handed to your mother-in-law.**'"

**3.) Ruth is Waiting upon Boaz**

**vv. 18**

Then she said, "Sit still, my daughter, until you know how the matter will turn out; for the man will not rest until he has concluded the matter this day."

**3a.) The Present Situation of the Church**

**vv. 18a**

**Ruth and Naomi Trusted in Boaz to Perform**

**Psalms 37:5**

Commit your way to the LORD, trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass.

**WAITING IS SO HARD TO DO**

# Unless I Enjoy The Company I'm With !!! stepping back and included Jesus !!!

## Exodus 14:13

And Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid. **Stand still**, and see the salvation of the LORD, which He will accomplish for you today.

## Ruth 3:18

Then she said, "**Sit still**, my daughter, until you know how the matter will turn out; for the man will not rest until he has concluded the matter this day."

## Psalms 46:10

**Be still**, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!

## Luke 22:14-16

And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him. <sup>15</sup> And he said unto them, With desire I have desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer: <sup>16</sup> For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God.

## JESUS IS EXCITED TO COME AND GET US

All of this speaks of the wonderful promises that the lord has given  
to us who have come to trust in him...

#1 The gift of Salvation  
(You're Mine)

#2 The gift of the Holy Spirit  
(He wants to hold our hand in life)

#3 The gift of fellowship among the brothers  
(The unity of the saints)

## 2 Peter 1:2-4

Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord, <sup>3</sup> as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue, <sup>4</sup> by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the

# We Need to be “Promise Believers”

**Luke 24:49**

"Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high."

Please wait - with energy  
Please wait - with passion  
Please wait - expectancy  
Please wait - vision